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GOD'S SUFFERING ONES.

"God liveth ever:
Wherefore, soul, despair thou never.
What though thou tread with bleeding feet
A thorny path of grief and gloom;
Thy God will choose the way most meet
To lead thee heavenward, lead thee home.
For this life's long night of sadness
He will give thee peace and gladness;
Soul, forget not in thy pains
God over all forever reigns."

Quiet Lives.—Professor Charles L. Leonard, of Tuft's College, says: "We read in the Bible about a silence that is a voice, and, once in a while, God gives us a most impressive and touching illustration of the truth that the best utterances of His children are not from those who move among their fellows or speak to the wider public, but flow out to the great moving world from some quiet centre, and not infrequently from some single life upon which suffering has laid its hand."

[And so with the charities. It is not those who give large sums of money, to be blazoned in the newspapers, for the purpose of building large and unnecessarily grand and expensive churches, with their fine equipments, or other public buildings, etc., that contribute most to human happiness. There are those, men and women, some of whom we know, especially the latter, who, in the kindness of their hearts, seek out and relieve, in a quiet way, many needy and suffering ones, besides other kindly acts, without reward or advantage in this life, except the consciousness of "going about doing good," and the homage of grateful hearts.—Ed].

Food we Eat.—The Boston Herald says that the last report of the Dairy Commissioners of New Jersey shows that 43.96 per ct. (nearly one half) of all the food preparations submitted for examination, were adulterated, some with harmless ingredients, and others with poisonous materials which seriously endanger the health.

It is said there is much disease among hogs in different parts of the country, and people had better be cautious about eating swine meat in any form. If eaten at all, it should be thoroughly cooked, in order to destroy the trichina (a little worm), which infests this kind of meat. Even ham, near the bone or centre, may be dangerous, not being so well cooked as near the surface, and therefore still containing these living animalcules. It is said many lives have been lost by eating pork not sufficiently cooked to destroy these insects. We confess to be a little Jewish in this, and eat very little pig meat.

Sunday School Superintendent—"The lesson, children, inculcates the duty of reverencing the aged. Do you remember what once happened to a lot of bad boys who reviled an aged prophet?"

Small boy (on front seat)—"They was ett up by bears."
"Right. Now, Tommy, tell me also what those boys had said to him." Tommy—"I—I most forget."
Sup't—"Think a little. Didn't they say something about his head, or the way his head was protected?"
Boy (enthusiastically)—"Yes r. They said, 'Where did you get that hat?'"—Chicago Tribune.

The President's Message elicited as great a variety of opinions, and as wide apart, as the tariff question. We have selected a few of them on both sides, from different political papers. We give the Republican side first:

Courageous and dignified, and will command the respect and support of his party throughout the country.
A business statement to a community of practical business men. Cannot fail to increase respect for him by every one who reads it.
A calm, dignified and able document.
Courageous and thoroughly Republican.
"It is a great message."
No complaint for free traders. Able and dignified State paper.
Sagacious insight into public affairs. Statesman-like.

From Democratic papers we have the following:

Tediously urgent exhortation to press forward and trust to that Providence which the French say watches over Americans and fools.
Has utterly failed to interpret the meaning of the late rebuke.
Conceived in spirit of a Bourbon—expressed in that of a Pharisee.
Cautious to the verge of timidity, and tediously long.
In literary and forensic merit it barely reaches mediocracy.
"An exhibition of feebleness." "Sophistry unworthy attention."
As a whole, a weak affair—monotonous and cautious.

From such testimony, an earnest man seeking only the truth, would be like a certain Congressman, who, in discussing a difficult question, said the dilemma reminded him of a stanza written by a local poet of a newspaper upon an old darkey fisherman, who one day hooked a big catfish that was too much for him, putting him off the rock into the river and he was drowned.

The neighbors never could make out
By the aid of all their figuring,
Whether the old nigger went catfishing,
Or the catfish went a niggering.

As we have not had time to read the message, or rather our taste for reading ran in a different direction, we don't feel competent to give an opinion.—Ed.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union have shown great courage in entering upon so grand an enterprise as the building of a magnificent temple in Chicago, to cost \$1,100,000. It is to be 13 stories high, nearly 200 feet in length by 100 in depth, and 260 feet in height, enclosing 2,500,000 feet of space, and is expected to yield \$250,000 annual rental. It is to be completed for occupancy by May, 1892; and it is hoped that the W. C. T. U. will be able to take full possession in five years.

They have taken a lease on a lot for 200 years, said to be worth \$1,000,000, at an annual rental of \$40,000! The corner stone, said to be the largest ever laid in Chicago, being seven feet square, three feet thick, and weighing 10 tons, has been laid,—in the doing of which women took an active part, especially Miss Willard and the Pres't of the Temple Building Ass'n, Mrs. Carse.

A Brute.—For revenge, some one entered a stable in Burlington, and cut a gasp a root long on the hip of a valuable horse. What wickedness—shameful!

The new tariff went into operation on the 6th of October last. There is a wide difference of opinion as to its effects, and it is thought modifications will be made by our next Congress.

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Borough Commissioners meet in the Town Hall on the 2nd Wednesday evening in each month. They are J. Morris Roberts, Chas. H. Hillman, Sam'l C. A. Clement, Sam'l C. Paris, W. J. Boring, Court of Appeal—John H. Lippincott, Geo. D. Stuart, Abel Humman, Wm. J. Boring, Pres.; Chas. A. Humman, Treas. Phone invited to come.

The Board of Managers of the Free Reading Room Association meets every 3d Monday in each month. J. L. PENNYPACKER, Sec.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union of this town meets every Tuesday afternoon in Wilkins' Hall, at 4 o'clock.

We wish to inform our friends and the public that we are still taking orders for Talmage's "From Manger to Throne," and that our orders will be filled, no matter what any one else may say to the contrary.

The Ladies of the Haddon Athenaeum and Free Reading Room gave what they called a "Tea Garden" party at the Library Hall, on last Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. The room was handsomely and profusely decorated with evergreens, flowers, plants, etc. kindly furnished and arranged by Mr. Kirkland, florist. There was singing by a quartette and individuals; also, readings and recitations, solid, humorous and otherwise. The company was served with tea, coffee, cakes, etc., and the whole affair was one of social intercourse, very agreeable and enjoyable. It takes the ladies to get up pleasant parties and entertainments, at short notice.

Ladies' Committee—Mrs. J. L. Pennypacker, Mrs. Chas. H. Hillman, Mrs. Chas. R. Stevenson, Mrs. B. M. Siles, Mrs. Frank E. Williams, Mrs. L. J. Stone, Mrs. A. W. Clement, Miss Anna Wilkins, Miss Emma Middleton, Miss Ella Stiles, Miss Mary Stiles, Miss Isabel Schetky, Miss Carol Schetky, Miss Minnie Moore, Miss Anna Coolidge.

There was a union meeting of the Christian Endeavor societies on Friday evening last, in the Baptist church, conducted by Rev. Mr. Werner, of the Presbyterian church. Well attended, and exercises interesting.

Emma W., a sweet little daughter of John C. and Gertrude A. Hoopes, died on Sunday morning, Dec. 7, in the 7th year of her age. She soon escapes the conflicts of earth, to join the immortals in heaven.

Mrs. Chas. Hillman had a little fair and tea party at her house, on the 3rd inst., by which \$75 were realized, for the purpose of purchasing books for the Haddon Athenaeum library. And now a case is wanted for them.

The Methodists will have their Sunday School Christmas celebration on Sunday evening, Dec. 28th,—addresses, singing, speaking, etc.—and on the following Tuesday evening, there will be a meeting of the school for the purpose treating the children.

Other churches we presume will have their Christmas entertainments, but we have not been furnished with particulars, and therefore cannot give them.

Rev. N. J. Wright preached last Sunday morning from the words "Rejoice Evermore," and in the evening his subject was "Grumblers." Next Sunday evening his subject will be "Prodigal Daughters." Many sermons, he said, were preached about prodigal sons, and he thought some attention should be given to prodigal daughters. Large and appreciative congregations.

The "piece" by the choir and outsiders might have been omitted. There was neither harmony, beauty or devotion in it. This may be a "grumble." But we wouldn't give much for persons that didn't grumble sometimes. There would be stagnation. The Jews got many things they wanted, or a substitute for what they wanted, in the olden time, by murmuring [grumbling.]

"Rev." Anna Shaw, who gave a lecture in Wilkins' Hall about two weeks ago, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temp'ce Union, developed a good deal of smartness—quite witty if not weighty—causing a good deal of amusement and hilarity among the audience. She said some things, however, that are worth remembering—among them that some laws made by men were made "bias." Now, we often hear women talking about cutting things bias; but as it is a matter in which we are not posted, we leave the mystery to be solved by the reader as to its application to the subject. Almost any woman, we presume, can solve the difficulty, and enlighten their poor benighted male friends.

She spoke of our school system and of school houses on every hill-top, but rivalled by a far greater number of saloons in the valleys, and while the former graduated one boy to the better life, the latter graduated three to a life of wrong doing; and whilst the schools graduated ten girls to usefulness and good, only one went to the bad. We may not be exactly correct, as we quote from memory, and give as near as we can recollect.

[We fail to pursue the subject further at present for want of room.]

Mrs. M. G. Murray's Musical Entertainment, on Tuesday evening last, was a very pleasant and interesting affair to all who take an interest in music. It consisted of a lecture on music, and the performance of a number of pieces on the piano, at which she is certainly a very great expert. At times she would bang and box it till it fairly roared with exultation, and anon with notes as soft and sweet as an Æolian harp, or a rose-perfumed zephyr on a balmy summer morning. Given in the Town Hall—well filled with a respectable audience.

Rev. Mr. Glover had a stroke of paralysis a few days ago.

Mrs. Win. Harrison has been ill several weeks, and still suffering.

Our friends, Howard Terry and family, we learn, are soon to leave us, for Chicago. Sorry to lose long known friends, but business calls.

The Young Ladies' Bible Class of Grace Episcopal Church will be held this evening, at 8 o'clock. Lecture by Edward E. Moody, Ph.D. Subject—Scientific Facts and Fancies. Singing.

The Presbyterians will have their Sunday School Christmas celebration on Sunday evening, and a children's Festival on the Monday evening following.

A bill has been introduced in Congress to reduce letter postage to one cent.

Julia C. Lippincott, who has been tried on a number of charges for forgery in the Camden Courts, and acquitted there, has now been transferred to May's Landing, to undergo further trials on similar charges.

Soap.—If any of the readers of "THE BASKET," want a supply of about the nicest **Shaving and Toilet Soap** that ever was made, we commend them to that called Yankee Shaving Soap, made by the J. B. Williams Co., Glastenbury, Ct. It makes a rich, copious lather, and with it, instead of it's being a sore trial to shave, it is a pleasure. It is also an elegant Toilet Soap. We have a few cakes still on hand, which we will dispose of for trial.

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There can be nothing nicer or more appropriate than Talmage's new book, "From Manger to Throne." We are taking subscriptions for it. The price is \$3.75, \$1.50, \$5.50, and \$10, according to style of binding. It is a splendid book—about 600 pages, 400 engravings.